

## SENATE BILL No. 417

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 4-30; IC 10-17-13.

**Synopsis:** Lottery game for veterans assistance. Requires the state lottery commission to adopt rules to establish a scratch-off game to benefit Indiana veterans. Establishes the veterans assistance trust fund. Deposits revenue from sales of tickets for the scratch-off game into the fund. Makes an appropriation.

**Effective:** July 1, 2007.

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January 16, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce, Public Policy & Interstate Cooperation.

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First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety and to make an appropriation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 4-30-3-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2007]: **Sec. 20. (a) The commission shall adopt rules under**  
4 **IC 4-22-2 to establish a scratch-off game to benefit veterans.**

5 **(b) Money received from the sale of scratch-off tickets for the**  
6 **game described in subsection (a) shall be deposited in the veterans**  
7 **assistance trust fund established by IC 10-17-13-3.**

8 SECTION 2. IC 4-30-10-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
9 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: **Sec. 3. (a)** Each retailer is  
10 liable to the commission for any and all tickets accepted or generated  
11 by an employee or representative of that retailer. These tickets are  
12 considered to have been purchased by the retailer, unless returned to  
13 the commission within the time and in the manner prescribed by the  
14 commission.

15 **(b) Except as provided in subsection (c),** all money received by  
16 retailers from the sale of lottery tickets, less the amount retained as  
17 compensation for the sale of the tickets and the amount paid out as

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prizes by the retailer, shall be held in trust until its delivery to the commission or electronic transfer to the administrative trust fund.

**(c) Money received by retailers from the sale of tickets, less the amount retained as compensation for the sale of the tickets, for a scratch-off game established under IC 4-30-3-20 shall be held in trust until its delivery to the commission for deposit in the veterans assistance trust fund established by IC 10-17-13-3.**

SECTION 3. IC 4-30-15-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. **(a)** There is created an administrative trust fund to be administered by the commission in accordance with this article.

**(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), all money received by the commission shall be deposited into the fund. All money in the fund is continually appropriated to the commission for the purposes specified in this article.**

**(c) Money received by the commission from the sale of tickets for a scratch-off game established under IC 4-30-3-20 shall be deposited in the veterans assistance trust fund established under IC 10-17-13-3.**

SECTION 4. IC 10-17-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]:

**Chapter 13. Veterans Assistance Trust Fund**

**Sec. 1. "Commission" refers to the veterans' affairs commission established by IC 10-17-1-3.**

**Sec. 2. "Fund" refers to the veterans assistance trust fund established by section 3 of this chapter.**

**Sec. 3. (a) The veterans assistance trust fund is established.**

**(b) The commission shall administer the fund.**

**(c) The fund consists of the following:**

**(1) Money deposited under IC 4-30-15-1(c).**

**(2) Interest deposited under subsection (e).**

**(3) Appropriations from the general assembly.**

**(4) Donations, gifts, grants, and bequests to the fund.**

**(5) Money received from any other source.**

**(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.**

**(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.**

**(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**

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1 revert to the state general fund.

2 (g) Money deposited in the fund is annually appropriated and  
3 allotted to the commission to carry out the purposes of this  
4 chapter.

5 Sec. 4. The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do  
6 the following:

7 (1) Establish programs to be funded by the fund, including the  
8 following:

9 (A) Tuition reimbursement.

10 (B) Temporary emergency aid grants, personal loans, and  
11 housing protection.

12 (C) Assistance programs for veterans and their families in  
13 need of services.

14 (2) Determine eligibility for programs described in  
15 subdivision (1).

16 (3) Otherwise administer the fund and programs.

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